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For: **APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR COATING OBJECTS USING AN
OPTICAL SYSTEM**

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COMMENTS ON STATEMENTS OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Statements of reasons for allowance were set forth in the Notice of Allowance mailed on June 15, 2007, in connection with the above-identified application. Subsequent to the June 15, 2007 Notice of Allowance, a request for continued examination and claim amendments were filed on September 17, 2007, and the issued fee was not paid. The currently allowed claims include recitations similar to those referenced by the Examiner in the statements of reasons for allowance set forth in the June 15, 2007 Notice of Allowance. The Examiner did not make any statements of reasons for allowance in the Notice of Allowance mailed on March 31, 2008.

While the Applicant agrees that the pending claims are allowable for at least the reasons set forth in the Examiner's statements, the Applicant submits that the invention as recited by the claims and as described in the application may be patentable over the art of record for reasons in addition to those listed in the Examiner's statements. For example, Applicant notes that the Examiner's statements reference various recitations of some of the independent and dependent claims. Applicant notes that the language of the claims as allowed controls the language in the Examiner's statement should not be construed as limiting the claims in any manner. Moreover, the claims contain recitations in addition to those stated by the Examiner that provide additional

bases for patentability over the art of record. Accordingly, the Applicant reserves the right to pursue claims of different scope than those in the present application. For example, such claims may not necessarily need to include the elements identified in the Examiner's statements in the present application.

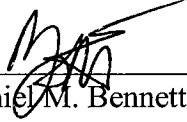
This statement commenting on the reasons for allowance is timely submitted.

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